

HOW CAN YOU GET MORE INFORMATION?

CALL the California Energy Commission Energy Call Center.

(800) 555-7794 inside California
(916) 654-4058 outside California

DOWNLOAD the guidebook, application forms, a list of eligible equipment, and other information from the California Energy Commission's website at:
www.energy.ca.gov/renewables

FAXED copies of the program forms, and lists of eligible equipment and participating retailers, are available by calling the California Energy Commission Facts Line.
(916) 653-6830

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EMERGING RENEWABLES BUYDOWN PROGRAM
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GET A **CASH** REBATE

UP TO
50%
OFF

YOUR PURCHASE PRICE
OF SOLAR,
WIND
OR OTHER
ELIGIBLE

RENEWABLE ENERGY
ELECTRIC GENERATING
SYSTEMS

WHAT IS THE EMERGING RENEWABLES BUYDOWN PROGRAM?

The California Energy Commission is offering cash rebates on eligible renewable energy electric generating systems. You can get a rebate of up to \$3,000 per kilowatt, or 50 percent off your system purchase price (whichever is less), making it more affordable to generate your own electricity using renewable energy.

The rebate amounts will decline over the duration of the program, as each funding level is reserved. Your rebate amount will depend on the level of funds available at the time your rebate is reserved, your system's rated electrical output, and the costs of your system that are eligible.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF EMERGING RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES?

Reliable

Generate your own electricity using renewable resources. If you use a PV or wind system, your utility can "store" your electricity, and supply it when your system is not generating.

Secure

Provide a secure back-up source of electricity for your home or business, while making use of our indigenous energy resources.

Environmentally Friendly

Use clean, replenishable resources that do not pollute or contribute to global climate change.

Sustainable

Help ensure our energy future by tapping into an infinite power supply.

WHAT GENERATING SYSTEMS ARE ELIGIBLE?

- **Photovoltaics (PV)** — solar cells that convert sunlight directly to electricity.
- **Small Wind Turbines** — wind turbines with an output of 10 kilowatts or less.
- **Fuel Cells** — devices that use a chemical process to convert renewable fuels into electricity.
- **Solar Thermal Systems** — systems that use solar heat to generate electricity.

WHAT ARE THE SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS?

- ✓ The system you purchase must be among the four eligible generating systems listed above. The system's electricity production should not exceed 125 percent of the historical or current electricity needs of the site. There is no limit on system size, except as noted for wind turbines.
- ✓ The retailer must provide a minimum full five-year warranty.
- ✓ A licensed contractor must install the system on your premises. If you are a do-it-yourself installer, you can still qualify.
- ✓ Some systems or their components must meet national standards.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

All types of electricity customers are eligible: residential, commercial, agricultural, and industrial.

You must receive your electricity service from either Pacific Gas & Electric, San Diego Gas & Electric, or Southern California Edison. You must also remain connected to the utility grid.

HOW DO YOU GET YOUR REBATE?

- 1 Order a Guidebook from the California Energy Commission (see *"How Can You Get More Information?"* for details). The Guidebook will give you more information about the buydown program, tell you how to apply for your rebate, and provide the forms you will need.
- 2 Select an eligible system to purchase. You or your retailer can apply to the Energy Commission to reserve a rebate.
- 3 The Energy Commission will review your application for eligibility, and send you a Reservation Confirmation and Claim Form, along with your rebate dollar amount. Your system must be installed within 9 months of the confirmation date for systems that are 10 kilowatts or less, and within 18 months for larger systems.
- 4 Once your system has been permitted, completely installed, and is operational, you or your retailer can submit the Claim Form to the Energy Commission for payment.

ACT NOW!

.....the rebate amount will decline over time!